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Recycling conserves natural resources, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, protects the environment, and keeps our communities clean and beautiful. As the County's population and economy continue to grow, the amount of waste generated is also growing and our landfill space diminishing. We have made major strides and are already recycling half of the waste we generate. Nevertheless, according to the Department of Public Works, nearly 38, 000 tons of trash are still being sent to landfills each day. We need to do more.

Recycling creates opportunities for turning certain waste materials, such as glass, metals, and plastics, into useful products. Other salvageable materials include electronic waste, which can be conveniently dropped off for free at the household hazardous waste collection events held throughout the County. It is important for the County of Los Angeles to encourage its citizens to become stewards of the environment by actively participating in recycling and other environmental protection activities.

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The National Recycling Coalition is sponsoring the 10th annual America Recycles Day on November 15, to promote recycling nationwide. This is a great opportunity for the County to help raise environmental awareness by encouraging businesses, residents and County employees to commit to make recycling part of their everyday lives.

I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Proclaim Thursday, November 15, 2007, as America Recycles Day throughout the County of Los Angeles in support of the National Recycling Coalition; and
2. Encourage all businesses, residents and County employees to increase recycling in their homes, offices, and communities.

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